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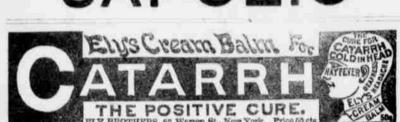
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THE LITTLE BLUE CAP.

I was paying a visit to my friends, the Durands. They were a simple, Soap on the most delicate fabrics. banks of the river, in a tiny house, Dusky Diamond Tar Soap A superb Complex of it, and while he walked along a mere bird's nest, almost hidden by wisteria and Virginia creeper. Durand's hands bore the marks of honest toil, for he had been a locksmith in his youth, and had, by industry and economy, raised himself steadily until he became the proprietor of a large business, and secured a competency for his old age. His wife, a quiet, gentle creature, worshipped her husband, and both of them were on their faces an expression of serenity, which betokened ease of conscience and a life of peace. Durand was past sixty years of age and his wife must have been fifty, yet in spite of their wrinkles and gray hairs, these two treated each other with an effectionate deference which was a pleasure to behold. They were Philemon and Baucis resuscitated.

While we were engaged in conversation just before dinner Durand rose and opened a drawer to take out some trifle which he wished to show me. While he was turning over the contents of the drawer it chanced that a little blue cap, such as might have been worn by a doll or an infant, fell to the floor. I picked it up and noticed that it was made of coarse blue linen, with two bits of twine instead of ribbons. As I handed it to him I said gayly: "Are you preparing a baby bas-

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ket, Papa Durand?" I had no sooner spoken than I remoment having heard that the only shadow on my friends' lives was the fact of their union being a childless one. For a minute Durand made no reply, but looked at the little cap affectionately, then as he laid it carefully away again he said in a tone of seriousness:

> "That is a souvenir." Then we all three sat down to dinner and talked of other matters; but as soon as the repast was finished, and the little maid of all work had put cigars and liquors upon the table, my friend said suddenly:

"How much that cap reminds me of!" It was evident that he wanted to explain his remark, and I begged him to do so.

"It was a great many years ago," he said after a slight pause, "for I was about twelve years old. I was working in a large factory, and I had a companion of the same age as myself, whom, on account of his ugly features, we nicknamed 'Zizi Monkeyface.' He was a shy, thieving, mischievous urchin, very much given to filching tarts from the pastry cook's counter, but a jolly little chap and full of pluck. He was so lazy that he would have been turned out of the factory had it not been for the indulgence of the overseer, who had been a friend of his father's and who took an interest in the boy for the sake of his dead comrade. Monkeyface was an orphan, and the only relative he had ever known was the woman who had brought him up, a cousin of his mother's. This woman was a fish pedlar, a brawling, brutal creature, whose affection for her young charge was manifested only by blows. Perhaps if he had known a parent's love he would have been less perverse.

"One afternoon the lad took it into his head to run away from the factory and go vagabonding about with a gang of young ruffians like himself. As they were coming slowly home after nightfall they heard to their astonishment the cry of an infant. The sound seemed to issue from a long, narrow, dirty alley which opened on the street, and at the other end of which hung a dimly flickering lamp. After a short consultation, the street boys ventured softly into the passage, and one of them espied behind the door a little bundle of rags which struggled and wailed. He seized hold of it, and the whole party ran into the street, triumphant, stopping under a lamp to examine their capture. It proved to be a baby girl a few weeks old, wrapped up in a series of dirty clothes; a poor little innocent whom a wretched, perhaps desperate, mother had aban-

doned to the charity of strangers. A council was held to decide what should be done with the booty, what should be done with the booty, and the young captors gave free phur Bitters should be used. play to their mischievous imagiantions. One said to put the baby

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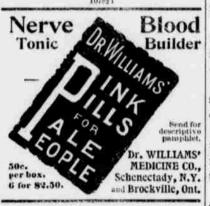
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back where they had found it; another to hide it in a half empty prune box which stood at a grocer's door; a third proposed to climb up to a second story balcony and leave FOR the youngster there, and how as-

tonished the people would be next Outbreaks, and crime generally, are day. But Zizi Monkeyface scouted never possible among people who are all these ideas and declared that the addicted to the use of baby must be given to the gypsies. There was a band of these people near by, who practiced jugglery and fortune telling, and instances of

kidnapping were by no means rare. Monkeyface's decison was hailed with enthusiasm, and he claimed the right to carry the treasure trove in consideration of his having made the plan.

"Give us the kid," he said. The baby had all this time been screaming piteously, but it stopped sudwith an air of triumph it fixed its great blue eyes upon his ugly face and smiled, at the same time stretching its tiny hands out as if to aress him.

"She is laughing!" cried the boy in delight, "see how she looks at

Then a new impulse seized him. "I will not give her away." h aid; "I will keep her myself."

His companions protested indignantly, but in vain, for as they well knew Zizi Monkeyface had at the end of each arm an argument so strong that it would be useless as well as unsafe to oppose his wishes. When he reached home with his

burden the fish pedlar exclaimed furiously: "Do you think I have not enough to do to fill your mouth, you lazy

imp? Take that brat to the police -quick now!" Pif, paf! A box on each ear showed the boy that she was in earnest, and he fled from the house.

the next morning he was in the factory as soon as it opened, for Schenectady, N.Y. the first time in his life. "Mr. George," he said timidly to he overseer, "how much will you

pay me if I work hard all day?" "I have already told you, twenty ents," answered the man in surprise, and Monkeyface worked inde-

fatigably until night. The overseer, amazed and delighttwenty cents in advance, in order every year; why not try Dr. Sanford's Liver Invigorator? to encourage him.

That night Monkeyface was again absent from his home, and his cousin, the fish pedlar, went to the factory the next evening, lay home in spite of his struggles, administering a thrashing on the way But it was no use; as soon as the old woman turned her back to cook the soup for dinner the boy slipped

The factory overseer, having been nformed of the state of affairs, made | Telephone No. 12. up his mind to settle the matter at once by finding out where Monkeyface spent his nights, and for this purpose watched the lad as he left the factory. Mr. George, in company with one of the workmen, followed the wanderer a short distance he went into a dairy and came out carrying a bottle of milk, and turned his steps toward a langly quarter.

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The two men, determined to discover his hiding place, climbed over the wall and found themselves in a large vacant lot, surrounded with weeds and rubbish, but of Monkeyface there was not a sign!

At last they espied in the furthest corner a low wooden shed which had evidently once served as a fowl house, and through the cracks of which a faint light was shining. They approached it noiselessly and peered through a crack. Great was their astonishment. In the middle of the wretched but, in which a man would not been able to stand upright, sat the young runaway, a candle stuck in the ground beside him; he was gravely pouring milk into a feeding bottle, and in a corner, on a bed of dried leaves, a baby was sleeping soundly, wrapped up in an old blanket.

Zizi Monkeyface transformed ino a nurse!

"What the deuce are you doing here?" asked the overseer, throwing open the door of the cabin suddeny; and the boy, startled at first by the intrusion, soon recovered himself and answered slowly:

"Haven't I got a right to have a little sister?" Then after a pause he added grandly, "I earn twenty cents a day. That is enough for us both, and we don't ask anyone for anything!" The narrator paused here, smiled

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"What?" I cried, "it was you?" "Ah, I have betrayed myself," a piece of sheer close muslin, or, said Durand. Yes, I was the young better, if you have it, some pieces rascal who was in a fair way to of glass taken from some broken come to the gallows, and thanks to window pane." And we have althe blue eyes of that little girl I ways done that since then." became a good workman, and after- It is to be feared that kitchen ward set up for myself. Now you processes are sources of illness more understand why I keep that little often than is imagined. In many blue cap; she had it on when we city houses the little kitchen annex, found her."

"And what has become of her?" inquired eagerly.

The old man answered: "We have not parted; then smil- milk, butter, often custards and ng, he looked at his wife and added, puddings, and various absorbents.

Have we, my dear?" She smiled in return, but her eyes norant of sanitary cause and effect, were moist as she looked at him, and the eternal vigilance of the and under her eyelids I saw a tear house mother is the family's chief

Vegetable Boa Constrictors. "Yes, I have seen the big cotton Portions of the South Pacific stalks grown in India and the cot-Ocean produce a wonderful species ton plantations of the Brazos botof the seaweed called the "vegetable tom in Texas," said Alonzo T. boa constrictor." According to Yerger of Waveross, Ga., at the recent published accounts they are Southern yesterday, "but down in likely to be met with at any point Washington county, Mississippi, between the lower point of Califor- they grow cotton stalks-not stalks nia and the Sandwich Islands on either, because they are trees-that the one side and between Chilli and beat any and all things in the cotton Australia on the other. These vine- line that I have ever seen or heard like strangers are frequently found of. Why, on a plantation belongtightly entwined about the body of ing to one of the Wilzinkys, which a dead whale, shark or porpoise, but firm failed the other day, I saw a whether they had fastened upon the field of cotton that looked like a bodies of these dead sea animals be- forest of sycamore trees. The cotfore life had become extinct, or had ton plant had grown to an enormous only ventured to attack the remains size, almost as large as trees. Neafter the vital spark had fled, are gro children had to climb them in conumdrums which, of course, can- order to pick the fleecy staple .not be answered. Experiments When the crop is gathered along made with this curious vine and car- in February the tenants cut down cass of a porpoise washed ashore in the stalks and chop them up for the harbor at Apia tend to prove firewood. The wood makes a bright that the vine, like that of our com- and hot fire, burning as quickly as mon bean, will not entwine itself fat pine. I saw one of the stalks around anything dead, whether exhibited in a saloon at Greenville that thing be of vegetable or ani- a few days ago that had borne 1.mal creation. Dr. Chadbourne, in 151 balls, and the cotton in the "Annals of the Caroline Islands," seed weighed 120 pounds. Accordsays: "I have often seen monster ing to that rate it would require specimens of macricystis (the giant only 10 stalks to make a bale. But, seaweed) with every vestige of life, of course, there are but few specisqueezed out of them by that ocean mens of such phenominal growth recorded in the world's history." demon, the 'constrictor' vine, which Torpid Liver-the symptoms are is itself a species of seaweed. Macricystis often grows to be from 20 It will cost you nothing and will surely to 30 inches in diameter and 1,500 do you good, if you have a Cough, Cold, or any trouble with Throat, Chest or The overseer, amazed and delighted at the change, paid the boy for his work and, even gave him believed to 2,000 feet in length, while the constrictor vine seldom exceeds and colds is guaranteed to give relief, or money will be constricted to give relief, or money will be 100 feet in length and is never paid back. Or. Sanford's Liver Invigorator? larger in Miameter than a pound had a speedy and perfect recovery. Try and a half salmon can. It is the a sample bottle at our expense and learn 'squeeze snake' of the ocean, how- for yourself just how good a thing it is.

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